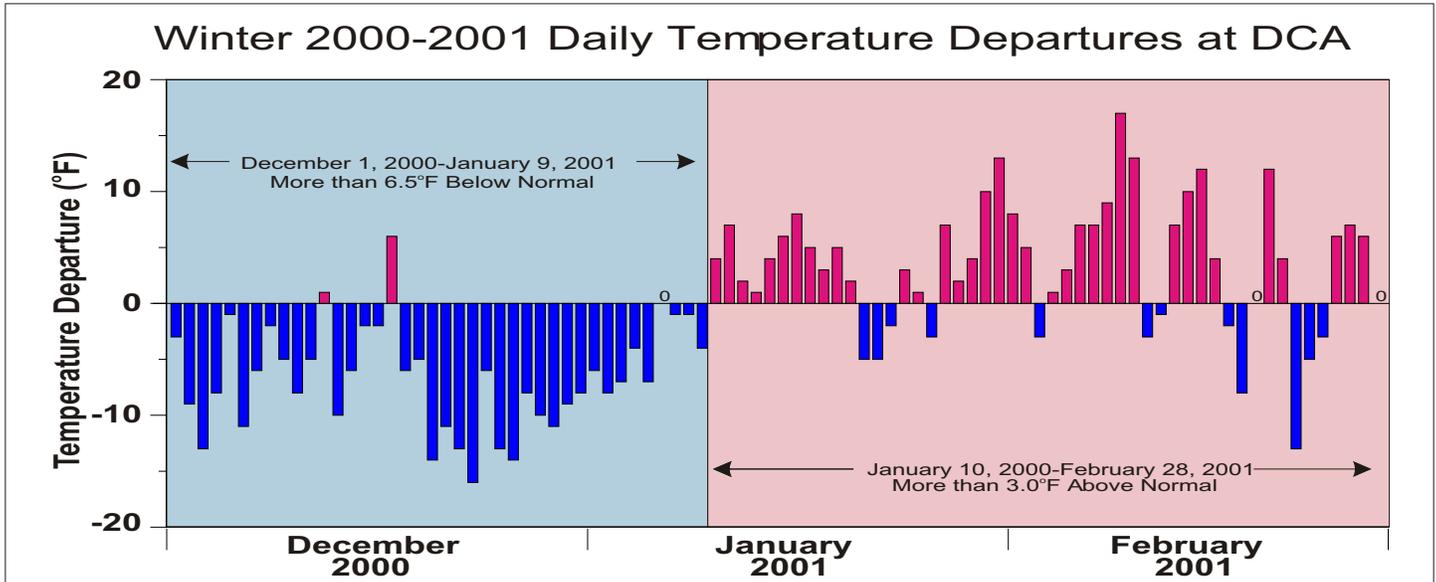


**PRECIPITATION SUMMARY AND TEMPERATURE OBSERVATIONS
FOR THE WASHINGTON, DC & BALTIMORE, MD AREA**

FEBRUARY 2001 & WINTER REVIEW

**FEBRUARY: FIFTH CONSECUTIVE WARMER THAN NORMAL
WINTER: ABNORMALLY COLD FIRST HALF & VERY MILD LAST HALF**



HIGHLIGHTS
MONTHLY

- Above normal temperatures with subnormal precipitation and snowfall across the Washington/Baltimore area;
- 20 days with at or above-normal temperatures at DCA;
- Daily record highs established at DCA (70°F), BWI (69°F) and IAD (69°F) on the 9th;
- 13 days with at or below freezing lows and only one day with subfreezing highs at DCA;
- 14th winter month out of last 15 with above-normal temperatures at DCA;
- Fifth consecutive month with subnormal precipitation at the three major airports;
- 13th February out of last 14 with subnormal snowfall in Washington.

SEASONAL

- Subnormal temperatures, precipitation and snowfall across the Washington/Baltimore area;
- First winter with subnormal temperatures since 1995-96 at DCA;
- 38 days with at or below normal temperatures during the first 40 days of winter (December 1, 2000-January 9, 2001), but 38 winter days out of last 50 with at or above-normal temperatures at DCA (see graph above);
- 63 days with lows at or below freezing (the most such winter days [tied w/ 1995-96] since 1976-77), including 29 consecutive such days (December 17, 2000-January 14, 2001) at DCA;
- 47 consecutive days (November 29, 2000-January 14, 2001) with at or below freezing lows at BWI and 48 consecutive such days (November 28, 2000-January 14, 2001) at IAD;
- Only 7 days with highs at or below freezing at DCA (10 at BWI and 15 at IAD);
- First winter since 1976-77 with subnormal precipitation each month at DCA;
- First 1"+ snowfall of season at DCA, BWI and IAD on the Dec. 19th, with 2.0", 1.3" and 3.1", respectively;
- Fifth consecutive warmer than normal January at DCA, BWI and IAD;
- Fifth consecutive warmer than normal February at DCA, 6th at both BWI and at IAD;
- 13th winter out of last 14 with subnormal snowfall at DCA.